



Shiawassee National Wildlife Refuge 2003 Deer Hunt Information (Federal Hunts Only)

Pre-Registered Drawings

Applicants apply by submitting cards to the Shiawassee National Wildlife Refuge. There is no fee to apply. **Cards must be postmarked by August 1, 2003.**

Instructions for Pre-Registered Hunt Applications

1. Applicants may apply **once** and may choose only **ONE** (1) hunt. Hunt choice code #'s are listed on back.
2. Hunters must mail a card (at least 3" x 5", but not larger than 4" x 6", not a piece of paper) to **Shiawassee NWR Deer Hunt, 6975 Mower Rd., Saginaw, MI 48601** with the following complete information printed or typed on one side of the card:

Name
Address, including City, State and Zip
Phone Number
Driver Licence # or Sportcard #
Hunt Choice Code #

*Please indicate if any of the above information has changed from past years.

CARDS POSTMARKED AFTER THE DEADLINE OR FILLED OUT INCORRECTLY WILL NOT BE ENTERED INTO THE DRAWING. No priority points will be awarded.

3. Hunters may apply with one (1) partner in which case each will receive a permit or neither will receive a permit. Partners must apply for the same hunt choice code #. Each hunter must fill out a card and then mail both cards in one envelope. Youth applying for hunts must have one (1) supervising adult listed as their partner. **HELPER PERMITS ARE PROHIBITED.**
4. Hunters who are successful for antlerless permits will be notified with instructions on how to purchase a Deer Management Unit 173 Public Lands Antlerless Deer license using the Retail Licensing system.
5. Only successful applicants will be notified. They will be notified by September 5, 2003, or you can check our website at: <http://midwest.fws.gov/shiawassee> (click on "Hunting") to see if you were drawn.
6. Permits cost \$10. All permits must be claimed by October 31, 2003, or negative points will be assigned.

Priority Deer Drawing System Guidelines

- The 2001 year was the first year for the priority drawing system from which all priority points were developed.
- All applicants who apply for an either sex hunt, but are not selected, will receive one (1) priority point towards a higher preference each year he/she is unsuccessful in the drawing.
- All applicants who apply for an antlerless only hunt will receive two (2) priority points towards a higher preference for an either sex permit and one (1) priority point towards a higher preference for an antlerless only hunt.
- When an applicant is drawn for a permit, the points that he/she has accumulated to that point will return to zero for that type of permit. Any points for the other type of permit will remain.
- If an applicant is selected and fails to pick up his/her permit, all points accumulated up to that point for both types of permits will be lost. In addition, the applicant will receive a negative total of two (2) points for both types of permits.
- There is no penalty for the hunter who cannot make it into the field.
- Only two (2) people can apply together as partners.
- Law enforcement data banks will be tied to the program to automatically delete those applicants who are still serving probation periods.
- Probation periods assigned to refuge violations will be served consecutively.
- Please note that your points may not transfer if we are not made aware of changes in your identification number.

You can also apply for a State hunt. Contact the DNR Field Office in St. Charles, MI at 989/865-6211.

Shiawassee National Wildlife Refuge Pre-Registered Hunts

Hunt Choice Code #	Dates	Type	Hunt Area	Number Hunters	2002 Applicants	Harvest Permits
201	Nov. 01 - Nov. 05	Archery	1 & 5	100	130	Antlerless Only
202	Nov. 06 - Nov. 10	Archery	1 & 5	100	749	Either sex
203	Dec. 01 - Dec. 05	Archery	4 & 5	100	239	Either sex
204	Dec. 06 - Dec. 10	Archery	4 & 5	100	332	Either sex
205	Dec. 27 - Dec. 31	Archery	4 & 5	100	214	Either sex
206	Nov. 15 - Nov. 16	Shotgun (N-A*)	3	18	29	(N-A Shotgun hunts are 60% antlerless & 40% either sex permits)
207	Nov. 17 - Nov. 18	Shotgun (N-A*)	3	18	20	
209	Nov. 22 - Nov. 23	Shotgun (General)	2	30	94	Antlerless Only
210	Dec. 12 - Dec. 13	Muzzleloader	3	90	215	Antlerless Only
211	Dec. 12 - Dec. 13	Muzzleloader	2	30	61	Antlerless Only
212	Dec. 14 - Dec. 15	Muzzleloader	3	90	263	Antlerless Only
213	Dec. 14 - Dec. 15	Muzzleloader	2	30	64	Antlerless Only
214	Dec. 16 - Dec. 17	Muzzleloader	3	90	830	Either Sex
215	Dec. 16 - Dec. 17	Muzzleloader	2	30	223	Either sex

* N-A shotgun hunts are Non-Ambulatory hunts (You must be confined to a wheelchair).

All hunters harvesting a deer must use a valid license to tag the deer.

Hunt Areas: (For a map, visit our website)

- **Area 1** - The entire Refuge
- **Area 2** - Area bordered by the northern boundary of the Refuge, south to the Shiawassee and Cass Rivers, plus Green Point Island
- **Area 3** - Entire Refuge except for the area north of the Shiawassee and Cass Rivers, and Green Point Island
- **Area 4** - Green Point Island and the entire Refuge except trails by Stroebel Road bounded by Bullhead Creek, Shiawassee and Tittabawassee Rivers
- **Area 5** – Cass River Unit in Bridgeport Township

Youth Shotgun: Contact www.MYHEC.org for more information on how to register by August 11, 2003.

Scouting Dates: September 6 and 7, 2003, daylight hours only, during our Open House Weekend.

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6975 Mower Road
Saginaw, MI 48601
Phone: 989/777-5930
V/TTY Users: 800/649-3777 (Michigan State Relay System)

Website: <http://midwest.fws.gov/shiawassee>

Available in alternative formats upon request.

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